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WILSON FISK, the former Kingpin of Crime and current mayor of New York, has made his move against his old enemy, Daredevil, by outlawing super hero vigilantism within the city limits.

Fisk has deputized super villains as a new team of **THUNDERBOLTS** to maintain law and order alongside the NYPD. Many heroes, including Reed and Sue Richards, have already been arrested, and many more are on the run.

These new Thunderbolts are Fisk's deadly, dangerous

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FISK'S FIST

PART 1

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WELCOME TO THE *MET GALA.*

THE ONLY BLACK-TIE EVENT IN THE BIG APPLE WHERE IT AIN'T CLEAR WHO'S A *SUPER HERO...*

...AND WHO'S SOME CELEBRITY JUST DRESSED UP IN A NUTTY OUTFIT.

ALL THAT *WEALTH* UNDER ONE ROOF. ALL THAT DAMN *OPULENCE.*

ALL EYES ARE ON THE STARS TONIGHT.

PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A STATEMENT.

COSTUME PARTY'S OVER, EVERYBODY!

RAT-TAT-TAT-TAT

LISTEN UP, PEOPLE! WE ARE THE *HUMANITY LIBERATION MOVEMENT!*

THE WORLD IS WATCHING TONIGHT! SOCIAL MEDIA! THE PRESS! AND FOR WHAT?

WHILE THE REST OF THE COUNTRY BURNS, YOU'VE COME HERE... *TO PLAY DRESS-UP?!*

THIS AIN'T HALLOWEEN. THIS IS A *CRISIS!*

PEOPLE ARE STARVING! OUR COASTLINES ARE SHRINKING! OUR PLANET IS WASTING AWAY!

THE MONEY YOU BLEW ON JUST ONE COSTUME COULD FEED *HUNDREDS* OF FAMILIES!

BUT NO, YOU'D ALL RATHER THROW YOUR MONEY AWAY PRETENDING YOU'RE SUPER HER--

--OH.

EVERYBODY STAY CALM.

YOU ARE ALL SAFE NOW, DA?

WHIPLASH

RHINO

MAYOR FISK WANTS TO CLEAN THESE STREETS FOR FINE FOLKS SUCH AS YOURSELVES...

ELECTRO

SORRY TO CRASH THE PARTY...

BUT THE THUNDERBOLTS HAVE A JOB TO DO

AGONY

WHO ARE THESE GUYS? HOW MANY OF THEM ARE THERE?!

TOO MANY. GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE. GOTTA--

SHNK

AAH--

LAY DOWN YOUR WEAPONS.

TASKMASTER

RAT-TAT-TAT-TAT-TAT-TAT

FWTP

SSPLK

AAAAGGGHHHH!!

OH...OH GOD... WHAT DO WE DO? WHAT DO WE DO? WHAT DO WE...?

THUD

THIS... THIS WASN'T THE PLAN... THIS WASN'T--

SNAP OUT OF IT! WE GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE--

THE HELL--?

ROBBIE?! ISSAT YOU?! WHAT--

--HAPPENED--

--TO--

IT'S MY TURN...

--YOU?

...TO WALK DOWN THE RED CARPET...

...AND I WANT TO MAKE IT BLEEEEEEED.

I'M READY FOR MY CLOSE-UP.

SSSSSSSSSS

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAH!

DON'T MIND US. NOTHING TO SEE HERE. JUST GO BACK TO YOUR--

--COSTUME PARTY.

RAAAAAAAA!

D-D-DON'T COME NEAR ME!

WHAT'S THE RUSH, BIG GUY? WE JUST GOT HERE...

STAY BACK!

I'LL SHOOT HER! I--

OH, DARLING... SWEETIE PIE...

...LIGHT OF MY LIFE.

ZZZZZZZT

AAAAAAAH!

NNGH.

MAMA ALWAYS SAID:

"A JERK THAT BURNS TWICE AS BRIGHT BURNS HALF AS LONG."

LATER.

POLICE

HOW LONG HAVE WE GOTTA WAIT?

I'M *TIRED* OF WAITING.

FISK SAYS WE SIT TIGHT, SO WE *SIT* TIGHT.

YOU DON'T WANT TO CROSS THE MAYOR.

WE'RE *HEROES* NOW, DA? WE SAVED THE DAY.

IF FISK WANTS TO TALK, HE CAN COME FI--

TNNK

FISK IS A NO-SHOW. I'M *LEAVING.*

KRACK

UNLESS YOU WANT TO TRY TO STOP ME.

COOL IT. WE'RE IN ENOUGH HOT WATER AS IT IS.

LET...ME... GO...

I COULD HANG YOU UP ON THE WALL MY OWN MEMORIAL

CRRSH

TO HELL WITH THIS. I'M BORED, AND I DON'T ANSWER TO ANY OF YOU!

LET'S HAVE OURSELVES A LIGHT SHOW.

KNOCK IT OFF, SPARKY! NOBODY ELSE NEEDS TO GET HURT TODAY.

OOOF!

KRNCH

LET ME WHISPER A LI'L SOMETHING IN YOUR EAR, BIG BOY.

SSZZZZT

WHOA, WHOA, WHOA--

EEEEEEEEEEH!!

TRRRR

OFFICERS-- I'D GET OUTTA DODGE. NOW.

THWK

POLIC

NOT DONE WITH YOU YET!

THOT

WATCH WHERE YOU'RE AIMING THAT THING, WILL YA?

FISK WON'T MISS JUST ONE OF HIS THUNDERBOLTS.

WE'LL JUST SAY YOU HAD AN ACCIDENT

HSSS

ENOUGH!

WHAT AN ABSOLUTE MESS.

SORRY, MISTER FISK.

MAYOR.

MAYOR FISK.

YOU'RE MEANT TO CLEAN THIS CITY UP...

...NOT DRIVE IT EVEN FURTHER INTO THE GROUND.

YOU AREN'T JUST THE PUBLIC FACE OF MY AUTHORITY...

...THE THUNDERBOLTS ARE *MY FIST.*

THEN I WANT YOU TO MAKE THEM SUFFER...

...*SLOWLY.*

I'M ENTRUSTING YOU WITH MY CITY.

I WANT YOU TO UNEARTH THE VERMIN RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS...

...*TERRORIST ATTACK* ON THE GALA.

WHEN YOU DO? BE SURE THERE ARE NO CAMERAS. NO PRESS.

IT IS BY MY MERCY, AND MY MERCY *ALONE,* THAT THE LOT OF YOU AREN'T LOCKED UP AT THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN. I AM YOUR *ONLY* ALLY IN THIS CITY, AND SHOULD MY PATIENCE WITH YOU REACH ITS END?

WELL, *PRAY* THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN.

"I HAVE IT ON GOOD AUTHORITY THAT THIS HUMANITY LIBERATION MOVEMENT IS HIDING SOMEWHERE WITHIN GOWANUS.

"BE SURE TO SEND THEM A MESSAGE.

"MAKE SURE THEY'RE LISTENING, LOUD AND CLEAR...

"NEW YORK IS *MINE.*

"NOBODY LIFTS A FINGER UNLESS I SAY SO.

THWWK

"AND IF THEY DON'T CARE TO FOLLOW MY RULES?

SPPLCH

SSSSPLK

SSPLCH

"WELL, THEN... YOU CAN SHOW THEM THE WAY OUT OF *MY CITY.*

RAT-TAT-TAT-TAT-TAT

SSSSLK

AW, GEEZE, WHIP. YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GO *THAT* FAR.

"THE LAW MAY HAVE GOTTEN SOFT UNDER MY PREDECESSOR'S WATCH...

"...BUT J. JONAH JAMESON IS NO LONGER MAYOR.

"WILSON FISK IS.

"AND BY MY THUNDERBOLTS, THE CITY WILL BE SAVED.

"ONCE YOU CLEAN UP THE STREETS...

"...THE PEOPLE OF NEW YORK WILL SEE HOW MERCIFUL OF A LEADER I CAN TRULY BE.

MMMMMAAAAAARRRRRRGGGGGGGGGLLLLE!

"WHO KNOWS? PERHAPS THEY'LL EVEN VOTE ME IN FOR A THIRD TERM.

"MAKE IT FOUR.

P-P-P-PLEASE... DON'T HURT ME...

"HOW... COMPASSIONATE.

PLEASE! PLEASE! MMMMMMMM!!!

SSSSSSSSSST

UUULCH.

"BUT THERE'S ONE THING I WANT TO MAKE *CRYSTAL CLEAR.*

"THE THUNDERBOLTS *ARE* THE LAW NOW.

"MY LAW.

SIR? EXCUSE ME, SIR, BUT YOU CAN'T--

"AND NOBODY IS ABOVE MY LAW.

CALL SECURITY! CALL SECURITY *NOW!*

MAYOR FISK

THUNDERBOLTS THAW MET TERRORISTS

"AND IF ANYONE HAS A PROBLEM WITH THAT, WELL...

"...THEY CAN TAKE IT UP WITH ME DIRECTLY."

WHO THE HELL ARE *YOU?*

USAGENT

REPORTING FOR DUTY...

...SIR.

TO BE CONTINUED...

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PART 2

COMING SOON

ZONE